THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): During 1993-94, Central Assistance to the extent of Rs. 969.46 lakhs has been provided to Governemnt of Uttar Pradesh in the form of Insecticides, anti-malarieal drugs etc.

Setting Up of Boards/Selection Committees for Recruitment

2387. SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL ALIAS MEEM AFZAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of the Ministries/Departments which have set up independent Boards/Selection Committees for the purpose of selection and recruitment of various posts;

(b) whether there is any norm laid down by Government or by the Ministries themselves for the appointment of a person belonging to the minority community on these Boards/Selection Committees;

(c) if so, which of these Recrutiment Boards/Selection Committees are represented by the minority community; and

(d) if the reply to part (b) be in the negative, whether Governemnt propose to consider the question of making it mandatory for the Ministries/Departments to appoint a person beloging to the minority community on the Boards/Selection Committees?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SMT. MARGARET ALVA): (a) to (d) Recruitment to Group 'A' and 'B' posts is mostly done through the UPSC and to Gropup 'C' through the Staff Selection Commission. Wherever recruitment is done by Ministries/Departments for Group 'C' posts within their purview and for recruitment to Group 'D' posts, a Selection Commitee is constituted. Where recruitment is on a large scale like in Railways, independent Recruitment Boards are set up. Instructions have already been issued to the effect that wherever a Selection Committee/Board exists or has to be constituted for making recruitment to 10 or more vacancies in Group 'C' or Group 'D' posts/services, it shall be mandatory to have one member belonging to the Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes/Other Backward Classes and one member belonging to the minority Community in such Committees/Boards. Further, one of the members of the Selection Committee/Board, whether from the general category or from the Minority community or from SC/ST/OBC, should be a lady failing which a lady memebr should be coopted on the Committee/Board . The member from the SC/ST/OBC, and minority community will be from within the overall sanctioned strength of the Selection Committee/Board which is constituted with the departmental officers of appropriate status and background, keeping in view the nature of the posts for which recruitment is to be made.

Polling the resources of PSUs

2388. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a necessity to pool together the resources of PSUs in a particular area to take up a particular project as part of the social obligation;

(b) if so, what steps have been taken in this direction; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (c) Under their articles of Association, the public sector undertakings enjoy full autonomy in regard to identification & implementation of social obligation. The Public sector undertakings are, therefor, free to pool together the resources to take up social welfare projects.